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**10 FINE BULBS, BRIGHTEST AND BEST VARIETIES, IMPORTED THIS SEASON,
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 Grand Matre, very fine bright bloom.
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 Grandeur a Merveille, bluish white; large truss.
 La Grandesse, pure white, very fine.
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This entire collection, 10 fine bulbs, mailed for only 25 cents. Every bulb will produce a fine spike, whether planted out or potted.

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Special Offer for Clubs.—I have splendid Double Hyacinths, in the best white, red and blue colors, finest named varieties, excellent for either pots or beds. I will send one of these lovely Hyacinths for a club of two, two for a club of four, or all for a club of five collections as above offered.

GEO. W. PARK, Libonia, Franklin Co., Pa.



PLANT BARGAINS.

For only 25 cents I will securely pack, mail, and guarantee safe arrival, ten splendid plants, as follows:

1 Chinese Paeony, or Old-fashioned, very desirable	15c.
1 Baby Primrose, or Hardy Primrose, a fine blooming plant	10c.
6 Plants, your selection from general list	25c.
1 Plant, your selection from twenty-cent list	20c.
1 Plant, your selection from list of six substitute plants named by patrons	10c.

10 Plants.

Total value - 80c.

All (10 plants) sent for only 25 cents, or five lots (50 plants) for \$1.00. Speak to your friends and get up a club. This offer is extended till Nov. 15, 1902. Do not order upon this offer after that date.

I have never made a more liberal offer than this. The idea of profit on this offer is not considered. I have an immense stock of fine plants on hand, and as I am about to remove my greenhouses these plants must be disposed of at once. I prefer, therefore, to offer these plants at a mere fraction of their value, and give my patrons the benefit. Will you not look over the list and make out your order at once? I know you will be pleased when you get the plants.

PREMIUM 20-CENT PLANTS.

These choice plants I have never known to be sold for less than 20 cents each, or \$2.00 per dozen. You may select one of these with every 25-cent order, as per above offer.

Asparagus comortensis, a lovely pot plant resembling *A. tenuissimus*, but of finer texture. It is a superb plant for the window.

Asparagus plumosus, the exquisite Lace Fern, one of the most charming of foliage pot plants.

Asparagus Sprengeri, Emerald Feather, a grand basket plant; foliage green, delicately drooping in graceful sprays.

Bougainvillea glabra, a very showy and beautiful pot shrub, but hardy at the South. Bears great pyramids of bracted violet flowers.

Euphorbia splendens, Crown of Thorns, a handsome winter-blooming plant.

Abbotsford English Ivy, a hardy evergreen vine, climbing and covering a wall without assistance; foliage very graceful in outline, green with white veins; a rapid grower. This Ivy I secured as a cutting from the Ivy-covered wall at the home of the famous author, Sir Walter Scott, some years ago, when at Melrose, Scotland.

Other 20-cent plants are *Begonia Evansiana*, New American Geranium, *Asparagus comortensis* and *Cissus discolor*.

GENERAL PLANT LIST.

Abelia rupestris, the hardy everblooming Chinese shrub.

NOTE.—I have fine plants of this rare everblooming hardy shrub. The foliage is shining green, and the rosy white flowers are borne in clusters continuously and are delicately fragrant. At the North it is a choice pot plant.

Abutilon Santana.
Savitzii, variegated.
Eclipse, variegated.
Mesopotamicum, vining.
Anna, Flowering Maple.

Acalypha Macaenseana.
Sanderiana.

NOTE.—The first has foliage like autumn leaves. *Sanderiana* is a superb flowering plant nearly always in bloom. Flowers appear as long, fluffy, carmine-scarlet tails, showy and exceedingly handsome.

Achania Malvaviscus.
Known as the upright Fuchsia, scarlet bloom.

Acorus, calamus.

NOTE.—A stately aromatic plant, with sword-shaped foliage.
Ageratum, blue.

White.
Princess Pauline.

NOTE.—These bloom freely all summer in either pots or beds. They enjoy the hottest sun.

Akebia quinata.
Aloysia, Lemon Verbena.
Alyssum, double.

NOTE.—Double Alyssum is fine for baskets. The flowers are freely produced, and in a cool room the plants bloom well throughout the winter. They like a sunny window.

Amaryllis lutea, yellow.

Ampelopsis quinquefolia.
Anemone Japonica.

Hortensis.
Fulgens, scarlet.
Pennsylvanica, white.
Large Crown.

Antigonon leptopus.
Anthericum vittatum.
Aquilegia canadensis.

Aralia racemosa, Spike-nard.

Artichoke, Helianthus tuberosum.

Asclepias tuberosa.
Astilbe Japonica.

Balsam, Zanzibar.
Berberis Thunbergi.

Begonia, Sandersoni.
Argentea guttata, lovely spotted foliage.

Bertha Chaterocher.
Evansiana.

Fuchsoides coccinea.
M. de Lesseps.

Prince Bismarck.
Rex.

Robusta.
Speculata.

Souv. Pres. Guillaume.
Vittata alba.

Weltoniensis, white.
Red.

Cut-leaved.
Bellis, Double Daisy, red.

Snowball, white.

NOTE.—Double Daisies are lovely plants for pots and edgings. They are hardy, and bloom continuously. The plants I offer are just beginning to bloom, and will bloom in a cool window all winter. Few flowers bloom more certainly or freely in winter than Daisies.

Bergamot, Scarlet Monarda.

White, fine.
Blueets (Houstonia).

Bryophyllum calycinum.
Buddleia variabilis.

Buxus (Box Wood).

NOTE.—*Buxus* is a beautiful evergreen, appearing well as a single specimen, and also fine for a hedge or the cemetery lot. It is hardy and will grow almost anywhere. I have fine plants. Per hundred \$3.00.

Oactus, our choice.
Calamus (Acorus).

Callicarpa purpurea.
Carnation, Malmalson, mxd.

Catalpa Kamperli.
Celastrus scandens.

Cestrum parqui.
Laurifolium.

Poeteus.
Chamomile, old-fashioned.

Chrysanthemum in sorts.
Cissus heterophylla, hardy.

Discolor, a lovely window vine.

Clerodendron Balfouri.
Coleus, Fancy, in variety.

Coccoloba platyclada.
Convallaria (Lily of the Valley).

Coronilla glauca.
Cupress platycentra.

NOTE.—*Cuphea platycentra* is excellent for bedding in a sunny place, and blooms freely all summer.

If grown in pots it blooms well in the window in winter; known as Segar Flower.

Crape Myrtle.
Crassula cordata.

NOTE.—*Crassula cordata* is a sure-blooming window plant during winter.

Cyperus alternifolius.
Deutzia crenata fl. pl.

NOTE.—*Deutzia crenata fl. pl.* blooms just after the white *Spiraea*. It is an elegant hardy shrub, always greatly admired.

Deutzia gracilis.
Dicentra spectabilis.

Eximia.

Double Daisy, Snowball.
Longfellow, pink.

Elecampane (Inula).
Eranthemum pulchellum.

NOTE.—*Eranthemum pulchellum* is a sure winter-bloomer; flowers intense blue, very pretty; easily cultivated.

Eucalyptus odora.
Euonymus Americana.

Euonymus Japonica aurea.
Variegata.

Eupatorium riparium.
NOTE.—*Eupatorium riparium* has white flowers in clusters. It is easily grown, and one of the best of winter-blooming window plants. Fine for cutting.

Ferns, hardy, in variety.
Ferns, tender, in variety.

Fern, Boston.

NOTE.—The true Boston Fern is one of the most popular and beautiful of house plants; fine for either pots or baskets, and increases in beauty from year to year, becoming of immense size.

Forsythia viridissima.
Suspensa, weeping.

NOTE.—These are hard shrubs, and produce wreaths of golden bell early, before the leaves develop.

Fuchsia, Chas. Blanc.
Black Prince.

Little Prince.
Monarch.

Oriflamme.
Peasant Girl.

Procumbens.
Puritan.

Gaillardia grandiflora.
Gentianella procumbens.

Gentiana Andrews.
Geranium maculatum.

Geranium, in variety.
Golden Glow (Rudbeckia).

Golden Rod (Solidago).
 Goodyera pubescens.
 Grevillea robusta, Australian Silk Oak.
 Hedera, English Ivy.
 Variegated.
 Hellanthus tuberosa.
 Heterocentron album, good winter bloomer.
 Hemerocallis fulva.
 Flava, Lemon Lily.
 Kwamso, double.
 Kwamso folis variegatis.
 NOTE.—These are hardy summer-blooming perennials, showy and easily grown.
 Hibiscus, Chinese, in variety.
 Hoarhound, herb.
 NOTE.—The leaves of this plant may be gathered and dried for medicinal purposes. A tea used hot is an effectual remedy for colds and chills. Taken after eating it is also a remedy for indigestion.
 Honeysuckle, Hall's Ever-blooming.
 Gold-veined.
 NOTE.—Both of these Honeysuckles are hardy, and thrive in any rich soil. Hall's is a fine sort for an arbor or summer house, having lovely dense foliage and a profusion of fragrant flowers all season. The Gold-veined has rich foliage and is very showy.
 Houstonia cerulea, Bluets.
 Hydrangea hortensis.
 Otaksa.
 Hyacinth.
 Impatiens sultana.
 Inula (Elecampane).
 NOTE.—A tea made from the roots of this plant is valuable in pulmonary complaints.
 Iris, Germanica.
 Isolepis gracilis, grass.
 Ivy, German or Parlor.
 English, hardy.
 Kenilworth, for baskets.
 Jasminum gracilimum.
 Grandiflorum.
 Grand Duke.
 Nudiflorum, hardy.
 Revolutum, yellow.
 Justicia carnea, pink.
 Coccinea, redish foliage.
 NOTE.—Justicia coccinea, often called J. Sanguinea, has dark foliage, and big heads of waxy pink flowers. It blooms in both summer and winter, is easily grown, and very showy and beautiful.
 Kenilworth Ivy, for baskets.
 Kerria Japonica, double.
 NOTE.—Kerria Japonica is known as Corcorus Rose. The flowers are double, like a Rose, and of a rich golden yellow color; blooms from early spring till summer, and again in the autumn.
 Lantana, pure yellow.
 Harket's Perfection.
 New Weeping.
 Pink and White.
 Latania borbonica.
 Lavandula, Lavender.
 Lavatera arborea variegata.
 Leonotis leonurus.
 Libonia penrosiensis.
 Ligustrum, Cal. Privet.
 Linaria cymbalaria.
 Lily of the Valley.
 NOTE.—This is a lovely hardy perennial, sure to grow and sure to please. Exquisite little white bells in racemes; deliciously fragrant. Does well in a dense shade. Fine for the cemetery. Per dozen 50 cents.
 Linum, Perennial Flax.
 Lobelia, Barnard's Perpetual.
 Lophospermum scandens.
 NOTE.—This is a lovely, rapid-growing vine with silvery foliage and beautiful rosy, bell-shaped flowers. It does well in the house, as well as out-doors, and blooms continuously. Can be kept in the cellar in winter, if not wanted for the window.
 Loniceria, Honeysuckle.
 Lopezia rosea.
 Lunaria biennis, Honesty.
 Lyceum, Matrimony Vine.
 Lysimachia, Moneywort.
 Madeira Ivy, started.
 Mackaya bella.
 Malva viscosa Achania.
 Mandevilla suaveolens.
 Mexican Primrose.
 Mitchellia repens.
 Monarda didyma.
 Myosotis, Victoria.
 Nepeta, Catnip.
 Nerine, Belladonna Lily.
 Old Bachelor.
 Old Maid, hardy, scented.
 Old Man, hardy shrub.
 Oxalis, Golden Star.
 Oxalis, Bowel.
 Buttercup.
 Summer-flowering sorts.
 Pansy, in variety.
 Park's Star Flower.
 Pennyroyal, herb.
 Peristrophe variegata.
 Phalaris, Ribbon Grass.
 Pilea serpyllifolia.
 Pine Apple Geranium (Salvia). Hardy.
 Plumbago capensis, white.
 Podophyllum, May Apple.
 Polygonatum, Solomon's Seal.
 Primula Seiboldii.
 Duplex, hardy.
 Elatior, hardy.
 Floribunda.
 Gold-laced.
 NOTE.—The Hardy Primroses bear large clusters of elegant flowers in spring. When grown in pots they bloom well in late winter.
 P. Floribunda is a continuous winter bloomer, bearing golden yellow clusters; rare, but easily grown.
 Punica, Pomegranate.
 Rhus cotinus, Smoke-tree.
 Richardia alba maculata.
 NOTE.—Richardia alba maculata is the spotted-leaf Calla. The tubers bloom in the summer when bedded in the spring, and in winter when kept and potted in the fall. I will supply dry tubers, ready to grow and bloom. They make handsome pot plants.
 Rocket, sweet.
 Rose, everblooming, named our selection, various colors.
 Ruellia Makoyana, carnine.
 NOTE.—Ruellia Makoyana has lovely variegated foliage, and the plant is of good habit, bushy and easily grown. In winter it is covered with showy, bright rose bells, which with the rich foliage make a grand display. It is a window plant of rare beauty.
 Ruellia Formosa, scarlet.
 Russelia juncea.
 Elegantisima.
 NOTE.—This is a superb pot plant. Flowers tubular, rich scarlet, in long, drooping racemes. Fine for hang'g baskets or vases.
 Sage.
 Salvia splendens, scarlet.
 Rutilans, new.
 Salvia robusta, fragrant foliage.
 Sanguinaria, Blood Root.
 Saponaria officinalis.
 Saxifraga sarmetosa.
 Scutellaria pulchella.
 Selaginella, moss-like.
 NOTE.—Selaginella is a pretty moss-like creeping plant for pots or baskets in a shady place. It needs the same treatment as a Fern.
 Sedum, hardy yellow.
 Acre, Crowfoot.
 Senecio petasites.
 Smilax, Boston.
 NOTE.—Boston Smilax is a lovely trellis vine for the window. It has fine sprays of foliage, excellent for cutting. The flowers are small, white, very fragrant, and succeeded by scarlet berries.
 Solanum Seaforthianum.
 Solidago, Golden Rod.
 Spirea Anthony Waterer.
 Prunifolia.
 Reevesii.
 Van Houtte.
 Spirea palmata, herbaceous, perennial.
 Astilbe Japonica.
 Stevia serrata alba-lineata.
 Sternbergia lutea.
 Strobilanthus anisophyllus.
 Dyerianus, purple foliage.
 Sweet William, in sorts.
 Syringa, lilac.
 Tanacetum, Tansy.
 Tradescantia, variegata.
 Zebrina.
 NOTE.—These are fine for baskets and pots in densely shaded places.
 Tuberose double.
 Verbena, hardy purple.
 NOTE.—The Hardy Verbena blooms from spring till fall, and is a first-class perennial for bedding. I have never been able to supply the demand for this plant heretofore, but now have a good stock, which I trust will hold out. It is tenacious, and a fine cemetery plant.
 Vinca, hardy blue.
 Rosea, rose.
 Rosea alba.
 Viola cucullata, blue.
 White.
 Pedata, Birdsfoot.
 Wistaria sinensis, vine.
 Weigela rosea floribunda.
 Variegata.
 Yucca filamentosa.

Order promptly, as this list will be changed more or less each month. If you select more than a plant of a kind always select a substitute also, as we will send but one plant of each kind where stock runs low. Always select several substitutes to be used in cases where our stock may be exhausted. Tell your friends of these offers, and get them to join you in a club offer. Address

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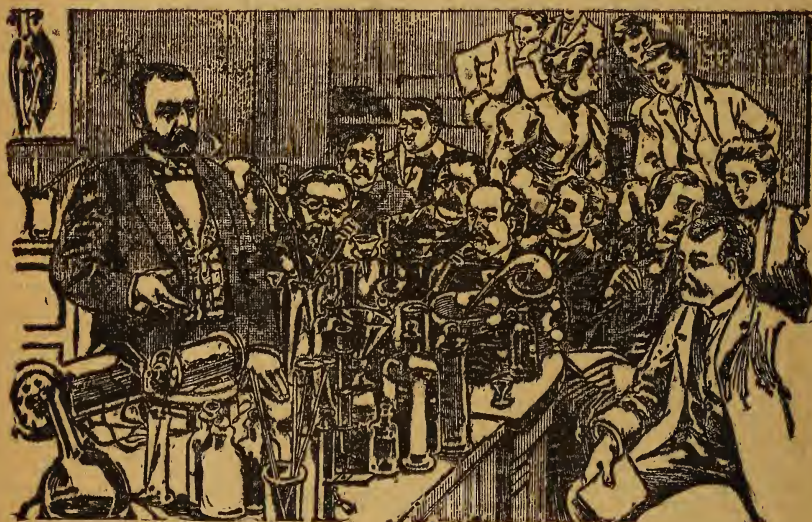
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White Roman Hyacinths , splendid bulbs, sure to bloom in winter; per dozen 40 cents, 3 bulbs 12 cents, each.....	5
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Double Roman Narcissus , splendid bulbs, sure to bloom in winter; per dozen 50 cents, 3 bulbs 15 cents, each.....	5
Bermuda Easter Lily , large bulbs, seven to nine inches in circumference, recommended to me as being entirely free from disease; per dozen \$2.50, 3 bulbs 70 cents, each.....	25
Paper White Narcissus , the true large-flowered kind, splendid bulbs, sure to bloom in winter; per dozen 50 cents, 3 bulbs 15 cents, each.....	5

For Callas, Freesias, Oxalis, etc., see another page.
 Order now. The sooner Easter Lilies, Callas and Freesias are potted the better.
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HERMOSA ROSES.

Oh, give me a bunch of Hermosas,
Quaint, old-fashioned and sweet,
With over-lapped petals of bright pink hue,
Distilling the sweets of the morning dew,
In springtime and summer and autumn too,
A rich and glorious treat.

Jefferson Co., Ky., Sept. 2, 1902.

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THE LILY DISEASE.

BERMUDA Easter Lilies are offered more freely this season than for several years past, and the bulbs are mostly of good size and in good condition. Some of the shipments seem to be entirely free from the disease, while others are more or less affected.

The bulbs are still high in price, but the price is a secondary consideration when compared with the disease, as a diseased bulb, no matter how low the price, is only a source of disappointment.

The Bermuda Easter Lily, when free from disease, is, without doubt, the finest of Easter Lilies, and the most prolific in blooming. The stems from good bulbs will bear a big cluster of buds and flowers, as shown in the engraving, and their purity, delicate texture and delicious fragrance never fail to elicit the admiration and praise of all who see them. Their culture is simple, and with sound bulbs and proper treatment they will yield as much pleasure as anything that may be grown.

The Lily disease is a light or fungus which affects both roots and tops. It became epidemic in Bermuda, some years ago, and spread from there to adjacent islands where the growing of Easter Lilies is a specialty. For a while it threatened to entirely destroy the trade in these bulbs and flowers, and greatly injured the flower commerce. The most vig-

orous efforts were therefore put forth to get rid of the plague, and it is a pleasure to know that the work has not been in vain. It is to be hoped that after the lapse of another year we shall find a plentiful supply of sound, large bulbs, and, at the low prices which prevailed at the time the disease made its appearance.

"The Last Rose of Summer".—

Many of the hardy Hybrid Perpetuals that bloom only for a month in spring or early summer redeem themselves by beautiful autumnal flowers. In many instances the Roses are larger and more brilliant in the fall than in the spring. The theory of the radiation of heat accounts for flowers being lighter in spring, and darker, richer and brighter in the fall.

Among all the late Roses, Champion of the World in bright pink is unsurpassed. The Roses are truly royal. Not only queenly, but numerous. Frost generally falls upon Champion of the World in full flower, buds of all stages of development, and full blown Roses that are simply faultless.

Paul Neyron, too well known to need description, is one of the hardy Roses of early summer that blooms profusely and grandly until fall. It is a Rose that has enjoyed long popularity, and will always hold its own. No Rose of equal yeomanry has yet appeared of as large size. American Beauty is much more of a patrician as a Rose. Its blooms may be as large as Paul Neyron, but the Rose is by no means so readily available for amateurs. Ulrich Brunner in cherry red is the finest of its class

in many respects. Were I restricted to one alone Ulrich Brunner would be my choice.

Mrs. G. T. Drennan.

Orleans Co., La., Sept. 19, 1902.



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HOLLYHOCK DISEASE.

THE Hollyhock disease is a fungus growth upon the leaves which became so general in England years ago that Hollyhock culture was almost abandoned. As yet it is rare in this country. It is well to cut and burn all parts or even plants which show the disease, and discard for a while the culture of the plants, till the germs disappear. It is said that the use of manure about the plants fosters the disease. Spraying with Bordeaux mixture is recommended, but there is no reliable remedy known, and to abandon the culture of the Hollyhock for a few years where the disease appears would seem the best method of getting rid of it.

Lilium giganteum.—This is a rare species from the Himalayas, introduced in 1852. The bulb becomes of large size, reaching six inches or more in diameter, and throws up a stock from six to ten feet high, tapering from three to four inches diameter at the base. The leaves are large, rather heart-shaped, with long strong stems; and the six to twelve funnel-shaped flowers, white with purple throat, are produced in a raceme at the summit. The plant likes a well-drained, loose soil, and must be protected in a cold climate. The bulbs are imported, and good ones cannot be obtained for less than \$1.50 or \$2.00.

Cactuses in Winter.—As a rule Cactuses should be kept in a rather warm, dry room during winter. Water sparingly—merely enough to keep the soil from becoming dust dry. If freely watered the plants are liable to lose their roots. To have blooming Cactuses use rather small pots for the size of the plants, so the roots will be somewhat crowded. In summer a warm, sunny exposure and plenty of water will promote blooming.

Cannas.—If clumps of Cannas are dug while the soil is wet, and thoroughly dried with soil attached, they will keep on a high shelf in the cellar.

PROPAGATING ALTERNANTHERA.

THE popular foliage, edging and bedding plant, *Alternanthera*, is a native of Brazil, and doubtless ripens seeds and propagates them in that country. At North, however, the seeds do not mature, increase by cuttings is the only method propagating known. Where plants have come clumps a limited supply may be obtained by division, but this slow means of increase is not much used. In Nicholson's Encyclopædia the following note about propagating this plant is found:

"*Alternanthera* of good color can only be secured by growing them in some house or put in the light and warmth of the sun; for, unless so green or badly colored plants will be the result. The best and quickest way to produce this class of plants in large quantities, is to make up a special hot for them about the end of March or beginning April. If a pit be used it should be filled up with six inches of the glass with leaves and manure, any other material that will produce a steady bottom heat of 80° or 85°, and will last for three weeks or so at that point. When the heat has become regular and steady, about four or five inches of rich, sandy soil should be placed all over the surface, adding, at the same time, a sprinkling of silver-sand on the top, and pressing moderately firm with a flat board. The cuttings may now be prepared by dibbling in, one inch apart each way. If kept cool, moist, and shaded from bright sunshine, in a few days they will be forming roots, and so soon as they take place the shading will be discontinued, and the ventilation gradually increased until they are finally hardened off and planted out. If carefully lifted and placed in trays or baskets, with a rhubarb leaf over them, they may be taken any distance, and planted without flagging; with this advantage that the plants being in good color, the beds are effective at once. April is soon enough to begin starting them, and these will be fit to plant by the middle of June."

A Yellow Campanula.—A new *Campanula* has been found in Palestine, bearing sulphur yellow flowers, a color entirely unknown among *Bellflowers* heretofore. The flowers are small, scarcely more than an inch in diameter, and sparingly produced. The plants are annuals, propagated from seeds, and are slender and delicate. Were the flower robust and free-blooming this new flower might find its way into the garden of the people. As it is it will only be a botanical specimen, and cultivated in special gardens. There are no seeds of it for sale.

Perennial Phloxes.—These make a gorgeous bed when well grown. The plant has its root near the surface, and are injured by sun and drouth. To grow them to perfection manure the soil thoroughly, place over the bed a mulch of stable litter, and raise the margin to retain water. Then, twice a week when the weather is dry, flood the bed with water. Rich soil and moisture are necessary requisites in the culture of these *Phloxes*, you are not likely to over-feed or over-water them.

SHOWY OCTOBER SHRUBS.

HAMAMELIS VIRGINICA, a hardy native shrub growing from five to ten feet high, is now in bloom, its numerous showy yellow flowers being produced along the terminal branches. It is the latest lowering of our native shrubs, and should be generally planted.

Hall's Honeysuckle is still a mass of green leaves, and will remain so at the North till the late winter frosts come. During October, however, its branches are thickly set with rich white and yellow bloom which perfume the entire garden. The Coral or Trumpet Honeysuckle is also a free-blooming shrubby vine at this season.

Kerria Japonica flore plena, the double Corchorus Rose, is now well set with golden flowers. It is a good plant to train to a wall or building.

Symphoricarpos racemosa is now laden with its showy clusters of white berries, which hang on during the greater part of winter.

Berberis Thunbergii is a mass of rich scarlet, haw-like seeds, which harmonize with the reddish autumnal tint of the foliage.



EUONYMUS AMERICANUS.

Euonymus Americanus, a native shrub, is now glorious, if well set with fruit, as it mostly is. The rich pink and scarlet of the drooping arilled seeds make a fine show. A near relative of this is the Bitter-sweet Vine, Celastrus scandens, bearing orange and scarlet fruit clusters which stay on during winter.

The branches of Ilex verticillata are wonderfully attractive from now till New Years. They are thickly set with plump, shining-scarlet berries, and arrest the admiring attention of all who see this fine native shrub in fruit.

Callicarpa purpurea is a rare shrub. Its name, meaning beautiful purple fruit, is well chosen. The slender, arching branches are, at this season, wreathes of small, rich purple berries. It is a dwarf shrub, and well adapted for a low hedge, and for cemetery and ornamental planting.

Rhus glabra and various other species of Sumac are fine autumn shrubs, the leaves showing shades of green and red, and each branch terminated by a panicle of crimson-scarlet seeds.

All of these shrubs are hardy, of easy culture, and deserve a place in the ornamental ground of every home.

Calla Lily.—When a Calla fails to bloom by resting in summer and growing in winter reverse the treatment, and keep the pot without watering, in the cellar during winter, and bedding out in a partial shade and watering freely during summer. If you wish a blooming plant in winter get and pot in Autumn a good, dry tuber from some florist, setting it just so the tip of the sprout will be above the soil. Water sparingly till growth begins, then water freely, the soil being rich and drainage good. Such tubers thus treated rarely fail to yield fine flowers during winter. A weak liquid fertilizer applied once a week during the blooming period will be found beneficial.

Sunset Rose.—If well rooted in the garden this Rose will endure the winter with a little protection, given by simply placing an open-end keg over it about New Years, and letting it remain till spring. Before placing the keg make a heap of dry coal ashes about the plant, reaching above the forks or first branches. Cover with a board, to keep out rain and snow, the south end raised, thus allowing air to circulate and prevent smothering. Such protection may be applied to many of the half-hardy garden plants.

Poinciana.—This, known as Bird of Paradise, may be grown from seeds, and in California and the South is hardy, but north of the Carolinas, needs protection during winter. Seedlings should bloom the second or third year, if given a warm, sunny place and well cared for. They should have plenty of root room, and a blooming plant may be grown in a wooden pail or small tub, where the climate will not allow planting out.

Fragrant Herbs.—Rosemary is a deliciously scented herb, a half-hardy perennial, easily grown. It is the chief ingredient of Eau de Cologne. At the North it should be grown as a pot plant, and protected during winter. Lavender is a hardy perennial herb prized for its fragrance, and much used in perfumery. Both of these herbs are easily propagated from seeds and cuttings.

Gladiolus Degenerating.—Gladiolus flowers change but little by continued culture. Practically the same bulbs will produce the same flowers in size, form and color each year. Bulbs of the common red sorts, however, increase much faster than those of the choicer ones, and thus, unless a selection is made each season, the red-flowered plants will soon predominate.

WATERING, DRAINAGE AND MOIST ATMOSPHERE.

CORRECT watering means so much in floriculture. Certain it is that lack of water cannot harm as much as a too plentiful supply; and in my estimation even ferns can have their roots kept much too moist, though we know they should never be allowed to become really dry. The good old rule of watering only when the surface soil looks dry, cannot be improved upon as a rule, but we find many exceptions. There are different degrees of dryness and moisture to be considered, but when water is applied let us do it generously.

Thorough drainage is also an important point. Those who cannot get moss to put over the broken pottery in bottom of pots, which is so effectual in keeping the soil from settling down and clogging the drainage, will find dried leaves, crumbled, a fair substitute.

Standing a dish of water on a register in the floor, is rather a risky thing to do. A better way to give the needed moisture is to hang a small pail on a stick placed across the opening underneath the register. Vases of water and wet sponges placed among the plants are also a help. Keeping the foliage clean is not only a decided benefit to the plants themselves, but serves also to make them more attractive to us.

Flora Lee.

Dutchess Co., N. Y., Sept. 11, 1902.

[NOTE.—A good way to determine whether a plant needs water or not is to weigh it with the hand. A little experience in this will enable one to become an expert. Many florists decide the state of the soil in this way, and it is the most exact method, as the surface soil in a pot often appears dry, while the lower soil is wet.—Ed.]

Asters.—My Asters this season are lovely. I have a large round bed of them. The Comet Asters, mixed colors, are very beautiful indeed—so large, some of the flowers nearly four inches across, and of such lovely colors, as pure white, white striped with pink, white striped with lavender, delicate shades of pink, lavender and dark pink. I know that I would have had more colors, if the hens had not scratched some of the plants up, somewhat spoiling the looks of the bed. While the Aster has many merits, the lateness of its blooming is against it. I find that the plants grow best in a sunny situation in very rich soil, with plenty of water.

Brownie.

Hunterdon Co., N. J., Aug. 8, 1902.

Asparagus plumosus nanus.—I had always heard that this plant could only be propagated from seeds, but I find it can be increased by division. I have a plant we received from our Editor about a year ago, which grew and did well. Last spring I took it from the pot, separated a small part of the top and cut down through the root, and each plant grew right along, sending up new sprays all the time.

Mabel Johnson.

Washington Co., Kans., May 30, 1902.

GLADIOLUS.

IBEGIN planting Gladiolus bulbs in April and make several plantings till the first week in June. By so doing I have a succession, or rather a continued display of the lovely blooms from late July till they are cut off by hard frosts. I plant in good garden soil, having a clay subsoil, and do not make very rich, but it is a good plan to mulch the



ground with strawy manure when the weather gets hot. This gives finer bloom, and better ripened bulbs that does very rich, loose soil. After the ground has been deeply dug, I make holes about eight inches deep, and as wide as is necessary. In the center of each hole drive a neat stake about three or a half feet long, and put in a couple of inches of good surface soil. Around the stake I set four Childsii, or six ordinary Gladiolus bulbs, and fill in the soil. I set few Childsii in one cluster, because each root bears several spikes of bloom. They come into bloom in three months and continue blooming from four to six weeks. The blooms can be had earlier by starting in pots, or in the ho-

bed, but I never think the plants are as robust, or give as many blooms as if grown in the garden from the start. When the flower stems begin to show I tie them to the stake with sort, strong strings, to avoid having them spoiled by the wind, or weight of blooms. They are so lovely. I think they well repay the necessary care, though our woman says "They are a one-sided thing anyway."

Mrs. M. C. Marshall.

Indiana Co., Pa., March 12, 1901.

[NOTE.—Gladiolus bulbs are as hardy as the Irish Potato, and can be cared for in winter by any method that will keep the Potato. A cool, dry, frost-proof room or closet or cellar will do. Lift the plants, cut the tops off close to the bulb, dry, label and store away. The temperature should be about 50° Fah., and the atmosphere rather dry. In the South, in well-drained soil, they can be safely allowed to remain in the bed undisturbed.—Ed.]

Scale on Cacti.—To those who are troubled with scale insects on their Cacti would say brush the plants off as clean as possible, then apply the cheap alcohol—not wood alcohol, but the kind that is used for bathing purposes. Apply with a feather. It will kill the scale insects and not injure the plants.

Yolo Co., Cal.

Mrs. E. S. Farnham

A Few Varieties.—Five or six kinds of flowers well cared for are more pleasure than a great number grown with indifferent success and appearance.

Benzie Co., Mich.

S. E. Bartlett

FLOWERS FOR MICHIGAN.

SOME OLD FAVORITES.

OUR climate here is very severe, and I find Tulips do very well for me. We have Tulips, Narcissus, Hyacinths, Lily of the Valley, Madonna Lily and Lemon Lily. All do well without the least protection. See that the bulbs are planted rather deep, and they will bloom spring after spring, growing more beautiful all the while. Take up the bulbs and separate the clumps occasionally or they become too crowded to do well.

Other plants which have proven iron-clad here are Antirrhinum, Foxglove, Chrysanthemum, Pansy, and the dear little white, red and pink Double Daisies. Carnations and everblooming Roses we bring through all night by covering with straw and evergreen branches. For hardy vines we have the plain-leaved and variegated-leaved Honeysuckles, Virginia Creeper or Woodbine, Clematis, and I have a crimson (Meteor) and a white (White Rambler) climbing Roses which have lived over two winters now without protection, and blooming well each summer. Mizpeh.

Charlevoix Co., Mich., April 23, 1902.

Giant Pansies.—Last year I planted the ten packets of Roemer's Giant Pansies. For some reason the seeds did not come up very well, but I have ten plants, all different, that have been very beautiful all spring. I covered the soil about two inches deep last fall, with manure from the spent hotbed, working it in well about the plants, but not over them. There were always flowers there when the snow would disappear. When spring finally came the bed was soon a beauty, and up to this time, June 17, shows no sign of failing. Great handfuls of blooms are picked from it almost every day, and I take care to look over it pretty often, and pick off any faded blooms that may have been missed. It is near to the path to the gate, and is much seen and admired.

Mrs. Mary C. Marshall.
Indiana Co., Pa., June 17, 1902.

Nicotiana.—I cannot enjoy these plants like other writers claim to do. The odor of the leaves sickens me. I had a lot of very fine plants of *Nicotiana sylvestris* two years ago. The blooms looked very fine, if you did not go close to them, but the sticky leaves attracted many insects, and they stuck to the leaves and died there. Then of the great Tomato worms, there were hundreds. They did not bother the Tomatoes, but there were so many of them on the *Nicotiana* it gives me the "creeps" to think of them. I have taken great care since to destroy the thousands of young plants that came up as volunteers.

Mrs. Mary C. Marshall.
Indiana Co., Pa., June 17, 1902.

Change of Color.—Perennial Phlox changes colors sometimes, because the roots of the various sorts planted near together come in contact.

S. E. Bartlett.
Benzie Co., Mich.

THE weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas will be rather poorly supplied with flowers unless careful planning is done. For those who have no conservatory or greenhouse this is the most trying season of the year for which to provide blossoms. The only sure way is to prepare some plants especially for it by keeping their buds pinched out through summer, allowing none to develop until September.

Quite a number of plants can be so trained, including Carnations, Heliotropes, Geraniums, Stevia and Roses. The latter I do not recommend for window culture, however. Some of the flowering Begonias bloom naturally at this season and others, by a little persuasion, can be made to follow suit. Although many new inventions have been sought out, fine old Begonia rubra, with waxen scarlet flower-clusters as large as one's hand, deep green leaves and young shoots as thick as Asparagus stalks, is still as fine as any. My only objection to it is that it enlarges its borders too rapidly. A good plant will soon require a window all to itself, but will fill it right royally. Saundersii, Paul Bruant, Insignis and Mrs. Mersche are other good house varieties.

The purple Heliotropes are finest for windows, although I sometimes fancy that the lighter-colored flowers are the most fragrant. Albert Delaux, with great sprays of deep purple flowers and golden-veined leaves is one of the very best. They all like light, heat and water in abundance. The best way to water a Heliotrope is to set its pot in a deep basin of tepid water and let it remain there until the top of the soil looks moist.

Bouvardias are in the heyday of their beauty between November and February. They are shrubby and rather tall growing, so that frequent cutting back is necessary in order to train them into symmetrical shape. Their small flowers are gracefully clustered and have nice long stems. The variety called President Cleveland has flowers of flashing scarlet; *Rosea multiflora*'s are lovely salmon-rose; Alfred Neuner's are pure white and double.

The Zonale Geranium is the "dear common flower" of the window. Some fine old specimen plants of it every one likes to keep, but young plants rooted from cuttings in May or June give more and larger flowers. Grown in pots plunged in a sunny border through summer, they can be trained into neat, compact little plants. After September the buds are allowed to develop, and fertilizers are given to make the flowers larger. Madame Bruant, Le Cid, White Swan, Lady Brooke, Mars, Copernic and Gloire Lyonnaise are handsome sorts of clear and distinct colors. The Lemon and Rose-scented Geraniums are indispensable on account of the delightful odor of their leaves. The Ivy Geraniums are among our best plants for baskets and hanging pots. Give them a sunny place.

Lennie Greenlee.
McDowell Co., N. C., August 20, 1902.

CACTI FROM CUTTINGS AND SEEDS.

CACTI are so easily multiplied that any amateur can readily increase them by cuttings. The cuttings may be any desired length. The smallest cutting will root. The base, where cut off, must be exposed for several days to dry, then set in pots or boxes of sand and kept moist, not too wet, or the cuttings will rot. When the cuttings begin to swell up they may be lifted and potted in small pots. Mammillarias and Echinocereus that have offsets can be separated and rooted, same as cuttings. Cereus and Echinocactus that do not have offsets can be cut into near the center, and the top dried and rooted, same as cuttings. The stump should be sprinkled with pulverized charcoal, and many little ones will soon be produced, which may be taken off and rooted. If a plant of any size should commence to decay at the roots, or in the stem, take a sharp knife and cut away all the decayed part, sprinkle with charcoal, and keep the plant very dry for some time.

I have had very good success raising Cacti from seeds, although it is very slow work; but I love to watch them develop.

Take a pan and fill in drainage within two inches of the top, then fill nearly full with fine loam and sand well mixed, and press down solid. Scatter the seeds thinly over the surface, and cover with more fine soil, about one-eighth of an inch, then set the pan in a larger pan partly full of water, and cover with a pane of glass, and in from two to six weeks you will behold the tiny Cacti striving to repay you for your diligence. Do not water from the top till several inches high; gradually remove the glass, and when large enough report in small pots. L. A. E.

Tehema Co., Cal., Sept. 9, 1902.

[NOTE.—As a rule Cactus seeds must not be kept very moist after sowing. If watered too freely the germs will rot before they show above the soil. Germination is slow, too, and the seed box must not be neglected for several months. Care and patience are prime elements in raising Cactuses from seeds.—Ed.]

Chrysanthemums.—In the fall of 1900, and while yet the Chrysanthemums were in bloom, I transplanted several colors that grew in clumps into a straight row of about twenty feet; the row ran east and west, and faced the road. I planted the colors promiscuously, having several shades running from pink to dark red, white and bronze. The soil was good where I planted them, and in the fall of 1901 those plants were loaded with flowers. I picked off flowers for all, and yet, in December, there were many in bloom. I mean to add on about ten feet more of Chrysanthemums, for they were a beautiful sight.

Geauga Co., Ohio, June 26, 1902. Ima.

Thimble Berry.—The Thimble Berry is a perennial plant, herbaceous, has big white blossoms like Blackberry blooms, and fruit shaped like a Raspberry, but so thin it would take three to make one Raspberry.

Stevens Co., Wash.

Mrs. E. Knapp.

PINK OXALIS.

Iwould like to advise the sisters who live in a cold house to get pink Oxalis for winter blooming. I have had one for years and it wants to bloom summer and winter constantly, but I make it rest from July till the last of August or first of September. This summer I stopped watering it, only just enough to keep it alive, but I left it hanging in a south window (instead of putting it upon the top shelf of my cupboard as before.) It was determined not to rest, but the little buds would keep peeping up out of the soil, reminding one of a little child that you tried to make go to sleep when it didn't want to.

One winter I was called to Oklahoma, to see a sick daughter. My Oxalis was in full bloom and the thought came to me, as it was winter and she had no house plants, it might cheer her to see my plant. So I took it carefully out of the basket, with a ball of earth attached, and wrapped it up carefully in paper, slipped it in an oat-meal box (pasteboard), and put it in my valise. It carried nicely. Her little daughter said she didn't believe mamma would ever have got well if it hadn't been for those flowers. My daughter afterwards wrote "If you know of any sick person, do take them your beautiful Oxalis, for it did me a world of good." I have the Bermuda but like my pink one best. I want sometime to try the fancy kinds, double, purple, and mammoth.

Annette Abbey.

Adams Co., Ia., Sept. 15, 1902.

[NOTE.—Oxalis bulbs are so cheap and so easily grown that many persons overlook the flowerin value of the plants. They are among the most useful of our bulbous plants, and deserve more attention. They well repay a little extra care.—Ed.]

Forget-me-not.—I have a fine plant of Forget-me-not sent me by a floral friend last fall. It is three feet across, has been in bloom three months, and is budded full now. It has larger leaves than a variety I used to have, and the flower stalks are two feet long. If I remember, the old varieties of Forget-me-not bloomed early, and were short lived plants. I hope this is an ever bloomer. As it is, it is a surprise, and a plant any one would want who has seen it. Ima.

Geauga Co., Ohio, July 6, 1902.

Mrs. Hill Geranium.—This is my favorite. Our plant bore two lovely bunches of rich salmon flowers, and had large, dark green leaves. I took it to our school house and all who saw it exclaimed "Oh, how beautiful!" It was at the school house nine days and was a beautiful show. After that brought it home, and it lasted several days. A Subscriber.

Perry Co., Ill., March 12, 1902.

Acacia, Iophantha.—Every plant collection needs at least a few pretty foliage plants, and I recommend Acacia Iophantha one. I have one three feet high and enjoys its beauty every hour of the day.

Crawford Co., Pa.

Mrs. J. L. Wykoff

WHITE ROMAN HYACINTHS.

It is impossible to over-estimate these bulbous flowers. They are as beautiful and pure as flowers ever are here, and it is hard to believe anything more lovely and sweet Paradise.

Plant the bulbs early in the fall. For all sections of country south of the Ohio and Potomac rivers, Roman Hyacinths are perfectly hardy. They are as free and hardy in the border as Daffodils and Jonquils. Bed them in rich, mellow soil, with some sand under each bulb.

Be sure and mulch the bed, after the bulbs are covered several inches with soil. Six inches or more is none too deep. The effort to reach the air and light strengthens and elongates the flower-stalk. The mulch of fallen leaves or chaffy compost several inches deep, regulates the fluctuations of freezes and thaws, and prevents upheaval of the bulbs in cold and certain weather.

Locate the bed in the sunniest part of the garden, but always in a conspicuous place. White Roman Hyacinths will bloom in February and March. They are stronger, whiter and much more showy in the border than in a hot-house. It is not a hot-house flower, rather than the necessity of being forced for the Christmas holidays.



WHITE ROMAN HYACINTHS.

Out of doors, in exposed places, amid ice and snow, the bright green leaves advance in growth and the flowers bloom in waxen purity, white as snow. A double or treble row round a bed, or a circular or fancy bed, filled with all of these early white flowers, is much more effective than a single row, or a few here and there. I advise planting White Roman Hyacinths by the hundred. The bulbs produce two and three trusses of flowers apiece. Prices are less for these than for the larger hyacinths. Coming at a time when the earth is barren of verdure and before there are flowers to bloom, the effect of hundreds of these

feathery white flowers and their setting or shining green is a thing to be ever remembered but impossible to describe.

Because Roman Hyacinths are so generally forced for Christmas and New Year, many persons do not know how available they are for out-door culture. Plant them in numbers, and when they bloom, your flowers will attract more attention than any other flowers you can possibly have at any other time or the year.

Mrs. G. T. Drennan.

Orleans Co., La., Sept., 19, 1902.

A Busy Woman's Favorite.—I often have inquiries from busy women for plants that will give a good deal of pleasure for little outlay of time and strength. I know of none that comes so near filling these requirements as the Asparagus Fern (*Asparagus plumosus nanus*). It is certainly a very beautiful plant when well grown, its delicate, lace-like foliage vying with a choice fern in beauty.

It is of easiest culture. Given good rich soil and plenty of water it will thrive in almost any location, and with but little care. It is not troubled with insect pests of any kind. It's only fault is its tendency as the plant gets large strong roots, to throw out long vining fronds, instead of the leafy ones. But this can be remedied by pinching off the end when it has grown to the desired length. It will then send out new branches. It is most desirable for cutting as it will keep fresh and green even longer than Smilax. It is most easily propagated by division of the roots. All flower lovers should have at least one Asparagus Fern in the window garden. It is worth many times its cost price.

Anna M. Boldrick.

Washington Co., Oregon.

My Passifloras.—My plants were not over two inches high when they came, but I put them in rich dirt in a salt box, and during the summer got two blossoms. They were wonderful—a purple and white, so delicate and large! When cold weather came the plants were set in the greenhouse, but the furnace went on strikes in the coldest weather, and then sulked and smoked, and my Passion Vines were among the numerous disappearances. In the spring I pulled them up to put on the rubbish heap, but there seemed a little life in the roots, so I planted them in a box, and they have had countless numbers of their blooms. Get a Passiflora by all means. For the bay window they would be fine.

Sister Bert.

Somerset Co., Maine, Sept. 23, 1902.

Caladium esculentum.—I always have success with *Caladium esculentum* in tubs and boxes grown in partial shade. They like water, and always appear thirsty. During early summer they are not very showy, but when September comes the leaves are immense, often from three to four feet in length.

Boone Co., Mo.

Martha.

WHITE CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

I've waited many months for thee,
While other flowers have come and gone,
And dead leaves flutter silently.
I've waited long, from dawn to dawn,

And searched for buds among the leaves,
And wondered what thy tints would be.
Methought the frost would stay thy sheaves
Before thy beauty I should see.

The distant woods have turned to gold,
And russet-brown, and crimson bright,
And Sumacs, touched by breezes cold,
Have turned to scarlet in the night.

Thy clumps of grayish-green are tipped
With flowers, snowflake-like, that cling
And bend thee downward. As if dipped
In purest ether, from the wing

Of some sweet Seraph passing near.
I gaze at thee in rapt delight;
O, dost thou hold an angel's tear,
A tear that fell on thee at night?

A tear of sorrow for the world?
I press my face among thy leaves;
Thy dainty petals, softly curled,
Sweep o'er my cheek in dewy sheaves.

Erie Co., Pa.

Lillie Ripley.

IN THE SHADE OF YESTERDAY.

In the shade of yesterday
Springs the Heartsease, and the dew
And the dusk of yestereve
Live in Rosemary and Rue;
There the Violet's soft eye
Mirrors faithfully the sky.

In the shade of yesterday
Sings the woodthrush, and the song;
From his peaceful solitude
Breathes amid the jostling throng,
And the holy strain apart
Hushes ev'ry list'ning heart.

In the shade of yesterday
There is stillness, and the roar
Of the world's unresting sea
Murmurs from a far-off shore;
There is pause to lean the ear
On the heart of life, and hear.

In the shade of yesterday
Noon's fierce glare comes not too near,
Unbedazzled and undimmed,
There the tender eyes see clear;
Storm-spent are the winds that stray
In the shade of yesterday.

Suffolk Co., Mass.

Mrs. W. A. Cutting.

SEPTEMBER'S CALL.

Back from their play September is calling,
Calling each boy and girl.
"Come, for apple and pear are falling,
Your school-house banners unfurl.

Come from park, seashore and mountain,
Come from valley and plain,
Leave rippling rill and feathery fountain,
Hie to the books again.

Faithful students the world is needing,
Come, for that means you;
Wisdom's voice is daily pleading,
There's naught too great for you.

Medina Co., Ohio.

Dame Durden.

NIGHT.

Night has come; her banners streaming,
Wrap the vales and hill tops high,
And the full moon, slowly rising,
Glorifies the eastern sky.

From the Hemlock dark and scraggy
Hoots the owl unto his mate,
And the fox is calling loudly,
Where the trembling rabbits wait.

Where the Maples tall are waving
I would sit and idly dream,
Listen to the water laving
Where I see the Poplars gleam.

Rest would come to me in dreaming
Over on the hillside lone,
Where the moonlight now is streaming,
Where the forests sob and moan.

Not to night, but sometime waiting
In some quiet, grassy dell,
Where the fire-flies flit and dally,
And the Lily swings her bell,

I shall find, what I have longed for,
Close to Nature's throbbing breast;
I shall feel her arms about me,
And shall know the joy of rest.

Windsor Co., Vt., Sept. 2, 1901.

Mrs. I. L. Lewis

THE HONEYSUCKLE'S MISSION

Dear old-fashioned flowers with coral heads drooping
You seem to be dreaming, with nothing to do;
You stand there so humble, you plain little flower
Tell me, oh, tell me, what good can you do?

Awaiting an answer I heard a slight buzzing,
And saw the bright flash of a small humming-b
As poised on the wing he inspected each flower,
While the whispering breezes their soft petals sti

He sped like an arrow from flower to flower,
While the whirl of his wings caused a silvery she
And the glint of the sunlight seemed to bright
his beauty,
As it fell on his plumage of scarlet and green.

He noticed me not, he was working so busy,
So I watched him in silence, ten minutes, or more
While he sampled each tiny cup, searching for honey
Thus telling the mission the plain flowers bore.

Erie Co., N. Y., July 9, 1902.

E. J. J.

THE RIVER.

Where, on this bright autumn day,
Dost thou pass the hours away?
'Mid the rocks, or in the glade,
Or beneath the forest's shade?

By your side the west winds blow,
Waving grasses to and fro,
And the flowers and cat-tails nigh
Nestle Pines that pierce the sky.

By your side the Lily fair
Reaches up its petals rare,
And the Weeping Willows sway
Slender branches all the day.

And the woodland paths stretch far
Through the Oaks and Hemlocks bar,
While the autumn leaves are brown,
As they droop and meander down.

Plymouth Co., Mass., Apr. 23, 1902.

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CHOICE BEGONIAS.

PAUL BRUANT, a free-growing Begonia, and a winter bloomer, is very fine when well grown. The leaf is of heavy texture, and a deep olive green color, rather of tropical effect. The flowers are produced freely in large panicles, of rich pink, lasting well when in bloom. One of the finest plants I have in a collection of twenty-five varieties.

Duchartrin, foliage lanceolate, sharply pointed, dark bronze green on upper surface, reddish purple on the under side; flowers large, in immense panicles, pure white, nicely covered with downy red hairs. It is easily grown, and blooms all the time. If I could have but one Begonia it would be this one. My visitors always stop when they see my Begonias.



BEGONIA SPECULATA.

Otto Hacker, a strong, vigorous grower, with stiff stems of upright habit, very large green leaves. The flowers, in immense clusters, are a bright coral red. Its freedom in blooming, and large, rich showy foliage make it one of the best all around Begonias we have. Its growth and bloom are very much like **President Carnot**.

Lillian Harrington, new, a cross between **Olbia** and **Rubra**, flowers in large sprays, and of a deep rose color, the foliage bronze green. It is a beauty, and desirable.

Washingtoniana alba has immense panicles of pure white flowers, and large glossy leaves. It is a good winter bloomer.

Washingtoniana rosea has deep rose flowers.

M. de Lesseps, leaves large and beautifully spotted with silver; strong, free-flowering

variety, with large panicles of pure white flowers.

President Carnot, very strong grower, of stiff, upright growth; foliage large and glossy, deep green, under side purplish red; flowers in large panicles, coral red.

Speculata, of the **Rex** type. Leaves in the form of a grape leaf; color bright green, with a back ground of chocolate, the whole spotted with silver; flowers pink, in fine sprays. See engraving.

Gilsoni, large leaves, upright grower, elegant in form, rosy white flowers, semi-double.

Ricinifolia, dark, shining crimson; leaves of immense size, borne on large, stout, hairy stems. Of tropical effect, and very showy when well grown.

Manicata, very large green leaves; profuse bloomer; flowers pale pink, borne high above the leaves; fine.

Vershaeffelti, fine upright grower, with sprays of pale pink flowers; profuse bloomer; fine for winter. I grow these in east windows, and they are fine for winter.

Subscriber.

Marion Co., Ill., Sept. 2, 1902.

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A Showy Bed.—A very effective combination for a circular bed, and one which I have used several years with perfect success, is this: The bed itself is about ten feet in diameter. In the center I plant six **Cannas**, three of the tall-growing, dark-leaved sort, and three of the flower-kind; next, three rows of **Scarlet Geraniums** about a foot apart, three dozen in all; and around the edge a double border of two rows of **Little Gem Alysium**. In the center the bed is raised about two

feet, gradually sloping down to the level of the lawn at the edge. The effect may readily be imagined as being very beautiful. It is a continuous mass of bloom the entire summer.

York Co., Me.

Hal.

Freaks.—We think the **Brownies** must have been working in our wild **Violet** bed. We had two bunches of striped blue and white at first, and now we have seven bunches. We found a **Violet** on muck ground last spring that was quite pink. We brought it home and hope it will not change color in different soil. The summer of nineteen hundred we had very heavy rains in August, and our **Snowball** and **Persian Lilac** bloomed the second time—quite small inferior blossoms.

Georgie A. Johnson.

Tuscola Co., Mich.

A HANDY PLANT CUPBOARD.

HERE is my idea of what I call a plant cupboard. It is made to fit your room and number of plants. Have it made deep enough to hold your larger ones on the bottom, then place your shelves in the ends, instead of crosswise, leaving an open space through the center from bottom to top. Hooks may be fastened in the top for hanging plants.

It is a good idea to paper the inside before putting in the shelves, and by painting the back as well as the front you have it quite cozy. By placing a small lamp or two (if very cold) in the bottom, then with the door shut, (but don't forget to turn the lamps down) they will be quite safe.

Try placing a dish of boiling water in the place of the lamps, while you are doing your sweeping and dusting in the morning, then see how fresh they will look when placed again in the window, especially if given a drink of tepid water at the same time you bring them out.

Mrs. A. Podney.

Cortland Co., N. Y., Aug. 20, 1902.

About Hyacinths.—Dutch Hyacinths do not do as well for me as the Tulips. They deteriorate, and grow beautifully less every year.

Eugenia.

Mason Co., Ky., June 27, 1902.

[NOTE.—Some varieties of Dutch Hyacinths are more tender than others, and rot after blooming if allowed to remain in the ground during a wet season. If lifted as the foliage matures, dried out and then wrapped separately in paper and stored in a cool, dry room till planting time again, they will last for years. The smaller bulbs will increase in size and show fine flowers for each year for several years, but the large bulbs are liable to split up into small ones, which soon die and disappear, unless well cared for.—Ed.]

Calceolaria.—In the spring of 1901 I sowed a package of Calceolaria seed, and succeeded in raising four plants, which are in blossom now. All are of different colors. One is light, clear yellow, with red-spotted throat; one a pink with dark red-spotted bloom; one an orange with red spots; and one orange and pink with red spots. The blossoms were immense and the clusters of bloom a foot across. All who have seen them call them beauties, and I am sure you would too.

Ima.

Geauga, Co., Ohio, June 26, 1902.

Tulips.—Six years ago I purchased three dozen Tulip bulbs. This spring I dug three pecks of the finest bulbs that I ever saw. I have my beds composed of good garden soil, mixed with sand. About the first of December I mulch my beds with fresh stable manure. I take them up and reset every two or three years, putting the small bulbs in separate bed, as they will not bloom for two years. They increase so rapidly that I begin to think that our country is adapted to Tulip growing.

Eugenia.

Mason Co., Ky., June 23, 1902.

SOME SOAP PLANTS.

IT is not generally known that some species of plants, fruits, trees and berries make admirable substitutes for soap, and in some countries where soap is unknown, these plants are used instead. Following are a few of the many species:

Soap-plant.—A plant, the inner portion of which will produce a lather that resembles soap in appearance and odor. It is sometimes called "Soap-apple." There are several varieties of these plants, the bulbs of which are used by some people for cleansing material. They abound in California, where the outer portion, being fibrous, is sometimes used for making mattresses. There and in Mexico these plants are commonly called "Amole."

Soap-berry.—There are several trees or shrubs, the fruit of which is in the form of a berry, which contains a soapy element that is used in washing textile fabrics. Soap berries are found principally in South American countries and Florida. In the Gulf States of this country grows a common soapberry on a tree which sometimes reaches a height of forty feet. The tree is known by the various names: Soap tree, Indian soap tree, China tree, Carolina soap berry, etc. Another tree called "Soap wood," is a native of the West Indies.

Soap-bark.—This is the bark of a tree which grows most commonly in Venezuela. In the South American countries it is often used as a substitute for soap and it is employed by druggists in the United States for various purposes. Another tree, known as the Quillala, produces a similar bark.

Soap-wort.—A perennial plant found by the road sides in the western part of the United States. Its juices are, in substance, much like mucilage, and when mixed with water form a lather. The plant produces clusters of flowers—some plants single flowers, and some double, which are rose color, pink and white.

Soap-weed.—A plant belonging to the Yucca or bear-grass family, and found in the Western States of this country.

Soap-root.—The root of a plant used for soap. The plant belongs to the Pink family, a perennial, and of Spanish origin. There is, also, an Egyptian Soap-root.

Soap-nut.—A black seed from the fruit of one or two of the various soap-berry trees.

A Subscriber.

New York City, September 5, 1902.

Keeping Cannas.—A foolish thing that I have been in the habit of doing is throwing away Canna bulbs in the fall. I find that they may be wintered in barrels in the cellar and when warm weather begins the bulbs should be broken apart, not cut, and planted, each bulb separately in the open ground where they will soon start growing. I never could succeed starting them in the house, as they always rot.

Hal.

York Co. Me.

AN IDEAL BACK YARD.

THIS yard is in Los Angeles, but it can be anywhere, with the difference of trees. Lots average here 50 x 150, and the house and front yard occupy about seventy-five feet of the length. In this case the back yard was seventy-five feet long and fifty wide. A chicken corral occupied the end of the yard, being forty feet across and ten wide. As chickens need shade, an arbor was built and grape vines trained up over it. The vines were two Concord, two Worden, these being blue; one Niagara which is white, and a Catawba, red. These vines give a good heavy shade. At one end of the chicken park was a house, 8x10, and at the other end an alfalfa patch. This had a wire netting over it, and the alfalfa grew up through the meshes. The chickens were fenced off from this patch, which was ten by ten feet, and allowed to run in once a week. At the end of the chicken park was an Asparagus bed, four rows in all. One variety was the White Columbian which needs no blanching. On one side of the yard was a row of Cuthbert Raspberries thirty feet long. Fifteen plants filled the row. Next it was a row of early and late Blackberries, and on the other side of the yard a row of Loganberries on trellises. At the end of these rows were some foreign grapes which must be stumped and kept close to the ground. There were two strawberry guavas also at the end of the rows. This was all the plants. The rest were trees. One Orange seedling had been budded to a navel, a tangerine and a grape fruit. This made one tree supply all sorts of orange fruit. There was a Lemon, which bears the year around, and a Loquat, the early yellow Japan plum, which is delicious. This was a budded fruit and very large and luscious. In the Eastern States these trees could be Apple, or something hardy there. Then there was a Fig, the White Smyrna, which was kept pruned closely, as the Fig will spread all over the universe if allowed its own sweet way. An Apricot, a Peach, a Plum and a Nectarine completed the list, all so well arranged that they did not crowd one another. There was room for a small Strawberry bed, but as a busy man in the city attended this yard, the Strawberry bed was not attempted. As it was, everything was nicely mulched and took only a couple of waterings a week, and he could give the necessary attention to it all himself. The chickens were cared for by his wife, but the rest was his work. Once a year a good barnyard soil was worked in around the vines and trees by a fat darkey, and that was all the extra work the yard took. He kept his trees free of scale by sprinkling them every night with the hose. His wife planted Lettuce and Radishes around the foot of two of the trees, and Petunias and Sweet Peas around two others. A water faucet opened into the chicken yard and the water dropped into a pail, so that the chickens always had fresh water. A high paling enclosed the entire yard, keeping out dogs and children. They used from five to ten dollars

worth of fruit a month during the season. The yard can be duplicated as I have said, anywhere, by substituting other trees in place of the semitropic ones which grow here. Apples, Plums, Cherries and Peaches do well in the East. Apples are a luxury to us here; it is almost impossible to make them bear for us. Cherries are not good, and Plums not so delicious as "back East". But both do better than Apples.

Georgina S. Townsend.

Los Angeles Co., Cal.

Topping Gladiolus.—Last Fall when I pulled my Gladiolus bulbs, three hundred of them in all, I neglected to cut off the old stocks as I had always done in previous years, but put them in large boxes and stored them in the cellar as usual. This spring, when I went to get them to plant I found most of the bulbs shrivelled and worthless and all that remained that were of any use were fifty inferior bulbs. Hereafter I will cut off the tops one inch above the bulb and store them in boxes in the cellar.

Hal.

York Co., Me.

A TRUE SAYING.

"Most Men Dig Their Graves With Their Teeth."

The wrong kind of food fills more graves than any other cause. It is easy to retain good health by the use of proper food and it is pleasant too. The Rev. G. M. Lodge of Iowa City, Iowa, made a successful experiment.

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NATIVE CLEMATIS.

FLORAL experiences frequently call to mind the poem wherein is told the story of a man who, searching the whole earth through fruitlessly, for a flower, comes home to find it growing beside his door. On a road we often travel are several plants of Clematis (Virgin's Bower). We catch a whiff of fragrance when it is in bloom, and later admire the feathery festoons and think we must remember to take a spade and get a root. But it is ten miles or more from home, and somehow we never have thought of it at the right time. Two years ago we attended a funeral. On the way to the cemetery the road was through a woods. Over the top of a fallen tree a Clematis ran, and it looked prettier than any I ever saw on a trellis. Such a vigorous growth the top of the tree was nearly hidden. That was not quite three miles away, and we thought, we can drive there most anytime, if we only remember the right time, spring or fall to transplant.

Last year we found several clumps growing on our own place, without anything near for a support. If it had grown on anything we should have seen it before. It must have been mowed close to the ground by a mower every year since it has been there.

Tuscola Co., Mich.

Georgia A. Johnson.

White Flowers.—While being a great lover of flowers, in all their various colors and forms, I am especially fond of white flowers, and think we can never have too many of them, as they greatly add to the beauty of all other flowers. I have three hardy Hydrangeas and two white Spireas in my yard—two of the most beautiful of hardy shrubs.

Mrs. J. L. Wykoff.

Cambridge Springs, Pa.

Shirley Poppies.—Be sure to have a large bed of Shirley Poppies, as their bright, silky petals will be a delight every morning through the whole summer. But do not plant them thickly, as they will grow spindling if you do. Thin out to three inches apart and do not let them form seeds except towards the last of summer, and then only one of a kind, to perpetuate the strain.

York Co., Me.

Hal.

Tulip Bed.—Plant a Tulip bed this fall. Nothing brightens the lawn more in early spring. After the bulbs are through blooming cover your bed with Petunias, Verbenas, Sweet Alyssum, &c.

Eugenia.

Mason Co., Ky., June 27, 1902.

Manure and Nasturtiums.—Do not put much manure in the Nasturtium bed after it has been once enriched. If you do the plants may rot off or wither, and if they live at all will run all to leaves.

Hal.

York Co., Maine.

CALADIUM IN A TUB.

MY tub was a pickle cask with about six inches off the top.

It had iron hoops, and two iron handles to lift by. It had boards nailed on for a bottom, and large cracks between them made good drainage.

A peck of chips, broken bricks, etc. were put in the bottom, then the cask was filled with two-thirds old manure and one-third sandy loam. In this was set a year-old bulb. Unless it rained I gave it from two to four large pails of water a day; and it got quarts of liquid manure besides. It set in the yard where it got the full sun. The largest leaf when Jack Frost got it, was seventeen inches by twenty-nine inches.

And it had six or eight leaves at once. I removed several small bulbs during the summer, and in the spring I took off twenty-nine, and the old bulb will more than fill a two quart measure.

Plenty of richness, water and good drainage seem to be the requirements.

Sister Bert.

Somerset Co., Me.

A DOCTOR'S EXPERIENCE.

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Are they Edible?—Are the tubers of Madeira Vine and Dahlias and the bulbs of Lilies and Gladiolus edible?—Mrs. E., Cal.

Dear Mr. Park:—Your bright little Magazine has been a welcome visitor in our home for several years,—in fact, for so long that we cannot think of trying to cultivate flowers without it. I have derived much pleasure, and found many congenial correspondents, as well as received many nice packages of plants, through the medium of the exchange column.

Mrs. J. T. Hallford.

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GOSSIP.

Bermuda Easter Lilies.—I must tell the readers of PARK'S FLORAL MAGAZINE about my Bermuda Easter Lily. I owned it for several years, and had tried to care for it according to printed directions, but it proved a failure. So, last fall I dug off all the loose top dirt from the keg it was in, also all the small bulbs, leaving four about the size around of a hen's egg. I then replaced the soil, adding well-rotted manure and soil from the barnyard, and put in the cellar until rather warm weather, when I set them on the stone steps of the outside cellar-way which opens to the south, but protected on the north and west by the building. The bulbs repaid me by developing eight very large Lilies in August. They were so fine I took them to church for their good behavior. Aunt Hope.

Wayne Co., Pa., Sept. 1902.

THAT GOLD WATCH.

I offer a Perfection Gold Watch, ladies' or gentlemen's size, for a club of 35 subscribers to PARK'S FLORAL MAGAZINE at 15 cents each (\$5.25). This watch looks as well as a pure gold watch, and keeps good time, but of course will not wear as well as a solid gold watch. It could not be bought of a jeweler for the amount I ask for the club, \$5.25, and each member of the club will get 10 packets of choice Flower or Vegetable Seeds as a premium. My friends find no trouble in securing a club upon these terms, and many clubs are coming in upon this very liberal offer. A Sister of Essex Co., N. Y., after receiving her watch writes as follows:

Dear Mr. Park:—I received the Perfection Gold Watch you offered for 35 subscribers to Park's Floral Magazine. It is, indeed, a beauty, as everyone thinks who sees it. I shall try to get you other subscribers, also.—Mrs. H. W., Aug. 8, 1902.

Boys and girls are often as successful as older persons in securing subscriptions, and I have sent many watches to these in return for subscriptions. I would like a club from every flower-loving community. Reader, will you not make the effort? GEO. W. PARK, Libonia, Pa.

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Mr. Park:—I enjoy your Floral Magazine so much, and always find valuable information in it about the treatment of plants. I am a devotee to plants. I had 80 pots in my windows the past winter, and they bloomed freely.

Mrs. D. A. Sharpless.

Montgomery Co., Pa., May 30, 1902.

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Rose Tendre, fine rose and white, extra, and sure to bloom.

Crimson King, splendid rich crimson with yellow center; fine, showy bedder.

Duchess de Parma, red with yellow band; large, early and beautiful.

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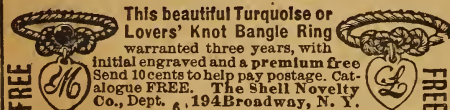
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Gossip.

Mr. Park:—I wish you could see my Hepaticas—blue, pink and white. I go to the woods when the snow is off the ground, and bring back a whole basketful, and put them in neat dishes in a sunny window, and in a week's time they are all in blossom. They make lovely spring bloomers in the yard, also. Mine were in blossom at Easter, also wild Lilies from the woods, rivaling Easter Lilies in purity. We have hundreds of kinds of wild flowers here, and I love them all. I have a wild flower garden of all kinds. I will tell the Sisters about a beautiful flower I had last winter. It is prettier than a Primrose. It was the wild Geranium or Cranes-bill. It was lovely for weeks. The leaves are prettier than the Geranium, and the flowers are such an odd color, a pinkish purple. I never saw a flower just like them in color. We also have the Pitcher Plant, which is very odd and pretty, and will blossom in the house. The flowers look like dark red velvet. I would like to exchange wild flowers for wild flowers from other states.

Mrs. D. Blackmer.

Erie Co., Pa., April 16, 1902.

Mr. Park:—In respect to the Thimble Berry I would say that the name is applied here to *Rubus Nutkanus*, Wood's Class Book of Botany, page 340, but is also applied to *R. occidentalis*, on the same page. This discussion but strongly emphasizes the value of scientific names as applied to botany. One can only be sure of his ground when he uses the scientific name for a plant.

S. T. Walker.

Washington Co., Oregon, April 29, 1902.

Mr. Park:—I became acquainted with your Magazine while visiting. I am so glad, for it is just what I have been looking for these many years. It is worth many dollars to a flower lover and grower, if the numbers are all like the ones I have read.

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GOSPIP.

Dear Floral Friends:—I wonder if any of you find the same fault with Park's Floral Magazine that I do. The little treasure is so fascinating that when I get a new copy I hate to lay it down, even to attend to my household duties. The head of the family comes home at about 6:15 P. M. When I hear him say "We'll have no supper to-night", I know he has a new copy of my little friend. I hurriedly put the eatables on the table for the rest, and as for myself I care neither for supper nor company until every bit of the Magazine has been read. If disturbed or in any way prevented at this time, I take it up later, and never retire until I have finished reading it.

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Washington Co., Kans., June 24, 1902.

Mr. Park:—I have taken your Magazine for a number of years, and could hardly do without it. I am always learning something of value from its pages.

Mrs. W. H. Eshnam.

Los Angeles Co., Cal., March 25, 1902.

Mr. Park:—I appreciate your Magazine very highly. It gives the best floral information I have found anywhere. It tells us how to sow seeds, and care for the seedlings; what soil and situation the various plants need; and how to get rid of insect enemies. I am always anxious for it to come.

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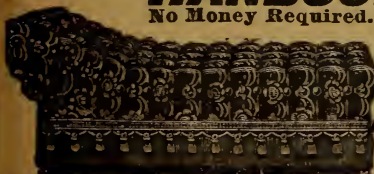
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Annie May Jordan.

Goochland Co., Va., Mar. 24, 1902.

Dear Mr. Park:—As I am a great lover of flowers and animals, and like to read the Children's Corner, I will write a letter too. I have no pets now, but I did have three canary birds, two rabbits and a dog. One of the canary birds got away, the other one died and a cat got the other one, a dog killed my rabbits and my dog went away and never came back. My mamma takes your Magazine and we like it very much. I have a brother twelve years old, and we had our pictures taken with the dog. The dog's name was Maxie.

Florence M. Donahue.

Richland Co., Ohio, July 24, 1902.

Mr. Park:—My floral success is largely due to the information found in Park's Floral Magazine. It is a perfect gem, and is eagerly looked for and read in this household.

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Lora S. La Mance.

McDonough Co., June 10, 1902.

Early Wallflower.—Dear Floral Folks:—I ordered among other seeds two years ago, one three-cent packet of Early Parisian Wallflower, and had fifteen plants. They began blooming the last of August, small flowers, but so fragrant, and of lovely colors in bronzy yellow to pale lemon. I potted them for winter. They were loaded with buds by March 1st, and by Easter, April 7th, were a perfect mass of flowers and scented the whole house. I gave one to a sick friend for Easter. The others I bedded out among Geraniums. They did not bloom again till after I had potted them again. By December 1st, they were in bloom again, and kept so until May 25th, when I again set them in the ground. I pruned them severely, and will see if they will still continue to bloom, though I want to raise some more from seeds for next winter, as the old plants get woody and rough.

Mrs. D. A. Sharpless.

Montgomery Co., Pa., May 30, 1902.

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Lillie Ripley.
Erie Co., Pa.

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Dear Mr. Park:—I wonder if your readers remember the letters of my dear sister, Mrs. A. C. Firman. If so, perhaps some, for her sake, will welcome me. Our home in Michigan welcomed your Magazine in the '70's, when it was very small indeed, and my sister often wrote to it, and to some of its readers also. Now she is in the "Other Country", from which we never hear, though we long to in vain, some seven years. Our dear old home has gone into strange hands. Our mother also, has gone to that Heavenly Home. I am left alone, but an exile from home, the dear old far-away, Michigan home, and oh, only those who are so far from home, and mother, and friends of a life time, can realize the home sickness, and how I miss my garden. It seems like a Paradise Lost to me now. My mother cultivated flowers for over forty-five years in one place. Our home was a floral Paradise, and we were really brought up in the flower garden. What wonder we love flowers. I find it is not so easy to one used to the rich, heavy soil of the richest county in Michigan, Genesee, to cultivate flowers on the barren rocky soil of a worn-out farm in Massachusetts. But, as I cannot live without flowers, I have tried to have a few. But the small plot I have now is only about the size of the place I devoted to just As-ters in the old garden at home, which was full of Roses, Lilies, and bushels of spring-flowering bulbs. I have a few in my "patch of a garden" here. I remember my mother's garden, and the many happy hours spent there. Many sad hours, too, when we worked some of our sadness away among the sweet blossoms. Surely flowers are great comforters in trouble. We found them so, at least. Mrs. A. C. Cunningham.

Worcester Co., Mass., April 30, 1902.

Mr. Park:—I wish to tell you about a Wall-flower raised from seeds sent me two years ago. It did not blossom, so I potted it, and it bloomed all winter and is still blooming. The plants are quite hardy, too. This winter I found plants still green in February. They had been covered with snow. L. Post.

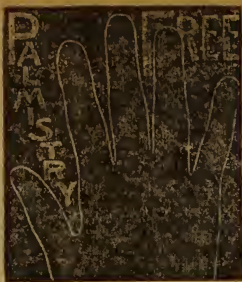
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GOSSIP.

Dear Flower Folks:—You may like to hear from a Texas flower lover, who loves to read your letters, and who appreciates the Editor's kindness in yielding so much space for exchanges and experiences.

I will tell you of my pit. It is full of Geraniums, Oleanders, and many pretty plants. We have long summers here to enjoy our flowers. My John is a gardener, and gives me a 100-foot yard to devote to flowers, and I will tell you what do best in Texas: Petunias, Phloxes, Verbenas, Cosmos, Nicotianas, Zinnias, and so many of the old-fashioned flowers. But why do we call them old-fashioned, when every year they are improved.

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J. N. Morris.

Tarrant Co., Texas.

Dear Friends:—Some of the Sisters say they detest, or hate certain flowers. I cannot understand how one can detest the lovely flowers, that are God's gifts to beautify our homes. I dearly love the beautiful Zinnias, with their many varied colors, so lasting, and the plants so easy to cultivate, lasting till the frost claims them. And the hated Marigolds, also, why should anyone fail to give them room. They are like good old friends, tried and true. Another reader detests the beautiful Gladioli. Well, no wonder he is a bachelor, for if he has no love for that pretty flower, we could not expect him to love a woman well enough to take her to his heart for life.

Sumner Co., Kans.

Mrs. R. W. Burton.

Dear Mr. Park:—We eagerly look forward to the arrival of your Magazine, and when it arrives we are very much disappointed. I have taken it for so many years, that I could not do without it now. It seems like an old friend. I have the volumes for the years of 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900 and 1901 all bound, each year's numbers by themselves, and they take up quite a space in my bookcase.

Lillie Ripley.

Erie Co., Pa.

Dear Band:—I try, each season, some of the novelties in plants, and in that way have some very choice ones. One of them is *Acacia lophantha*, a beautiful tree over six feet high, with its beautiful, fern-like foliage admired by all, and one my husband always shows to my callers when they speak of my plants. Another one of my favorites is *Asparagus Sprengeri*, hanging in an east window, about four feet high, which is trained up over the pot about twelve inches, and then down to the floor where I pinch the ends off. I left one grow to see how long it would get, and it is three yards long. I have a *Filifera Palm*, raised from seed. It is eight inches high from the top of the pot. It is very stocky, having five full character leaves, and two new ones coming. I have seen a great many of them, but they were all taller, with longer stems to the leaves than mine. What makes the difference? Mine seems to be thrifty, and grows fast. I like it better as it is. I will tell the Sisters how I get the money to buy my treasures. I have supplied many of my friends and neighbors with plants and flowers for many years, often ruining many of my choicest ones by shipping them. So I just said to them I have plants and flowers to sell, and just before Decoration Day, I manage to have a large number of blooming plants, and some flowers in the garden to cut for the cemetery, and in this way get a little for my trouble, and have something to buy more with. Let me just add this: No one can get more or better plants for the money than to write to Mr. Park. You may depend on what he says, for I have tried him many times, and have not found his plants any different from what he said they were—always first-class. A. D.

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Henrico Co., Va., April 12, 1902.

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LETTER FROM IOWA KNABBY.

Mr. Park:—I wuz so glad to see that 'ere letter from Nabby Frost of Oregon, fur I sed that shows Mr. Park don't uphold them wimmen in their meanness; and if he takes a holt an' helps, mebbey me and her can shame them out on it. If we can't, why we 'll jest hev tew give up a raisin' flowers. Now, one ov 'em surved me jest turrible, and I'll jest tell you how it wuz. Well now, last summer wuz turrible dry, an' I jest cudden water my flower beds, so the seed didn't cum. Well, my neighbor, she jest carried water an' carried water, till I shud think she'd bin clean tired out. So, one day we hed a little rain, an' I 'lowed the wether hed broke, an' the drouth wuz over. So, I went over an' jest told her how I wisht I cud raise flowers as easy as she, and, that mine jest wouldn't come. Then I slipped around where her Verbenias wuz, an' the ground wuz soft an' meller, so jest dug up every one I could find an' carried them around to the kitchen door, where she wuz, an' sed, "Can I hev 'em?" and she jest said "Yes, you ken hev 'em". Then she sed jest as sarcastick an' meaning-like, "Talk about me raisin' flowers easy, I never raised 'em as easy as you raised them." Now I don't know what they will do next, when they treat their neighbors that way. Knabby.

Co., Iowa, March 8, 1902.

QUESTIONS.

Lady Bugs.—Are any species of these injurious? Here certain kinds were imported to destroy the scale insects, some being red and some green, all with black spots. As hot days came thousands appeared in a single night, infesting our Corn, weighing down the stalks and turning the leaves yellow. We dusted with ashes, but they only went to other fields. The plague lasted only three days. Rows of Corn that escaped were of much better color. Did they sap the leaves or smother them? Who can tell?—Mrs. G. H., Cal.

Burr Rose.—Who will tell us about the Burr Rose, mentioned in the Magazine? To me it is something new.—Mrs. W., Litchfield, Ct.

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